

**RUSHVILLE CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2008
5:30 P.M.**

The Rushville City Board of Public Works and Safety met on the above date and time at 270 West 15th Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Bostic called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m., with Merlin Herbert and John Mull answering roll call. Also present were City Attorney, Ron Wilson, Elizabeth Gist, *Rushville Republican*, and Mike Selke, WIFE Radio.

MINUTES * * * *

Minutes of the January 7, 2008 meeting were presented for approval. Mull made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Herbert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

MAYOR'S REPORT * * * *

None.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT * * * *

None.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS * * * *

Fire — Chief Jenkins recommended to the Board to promote Wayne Munson to fill the vacancy of Captain. Also to fill the vacancy of Lieutenants and promote Andrew Connolly and Kent Clark to the positions of Lieutenant. Mull made a motion to promote Munson to the position of Captain and to promote Andrew Connolly and Kent Clark to the positions of Lieutenant. Herbert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Chief Jenkins said they had completed the interviewing process and recommended to the Board to hire Justin Cameron to the position of Firefighter contingent upon approval of PERF. Herbert made a motion to hire Justin Cameron contingent upon approval of PERF. Mull seconded the motion. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS * * * *

None.

NEW BUSINESS * * * *

Bob Gulde/Shawn Grocox – Bob Gulde, attorney for Officer Shawn Grocox, approached the Board to ask them to reconsider the probation agreement placed upon Officer Grocox September 7, 2007. Gulde asked the following items be reconsidered:

1. Rescind the payment of attorney fees.
2. Shorten the probation period from 2 years to 1 year.
3. Rescind the order that Grocox not be allowed to represent the Police Department at any high school function during the probation period. (Grocox admitted to wrong doing while he was off duty, but that he acted properly while representing the Rushville Police Department.)

Gulde said that in his opinion these items were unreasonable and Grocox felt pressure to sign the agreement in order to get back to work and be able to fulfill his financial obligations.

Police Chief Cameron stated that in his opinion the payment of attorney fees by Grocox was unprecedented, but he believed the other items should remain in place.

Mull said that he had been involved with the police field for many years and had never heard of anyone having to pay attorney fees for an investigation. He said Grocox's behavior was unacceptable. Mull made a motion to rescind the remaining fines but that the other 2 items regarding probation remain in place. Herbert seconded the motion. Motion carried.

There was no further business to come before the Board; Herbert made a motion to adjourn. Mull seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

MERVYN R. BOSTIC, MAYOR

JOHN W. MULL, MEMBER

MERLIN HERBERT, MEMBER
ATTEST:

ANN L. COPLEY, CLERK-TREASURER